

Why Aziz, Benazir not arrested yet?
Asks Manna

UNB, Dhaka

Nagorik Oikya President Mahmudur Rahman Manna yesterday raised question as to why former army chief Aziz Ahmed and former IGP Benazir Ahmed have not yet been arrested, despite corruption allegations against them.

"Why haven't cases been filed against them? You [people] need to take to the streets with this demand," he told a rally.

Referring to Awami League General Secretary Obaidul Quader's comment that the government was not embarrassed about the issues, Manna said this regime is least bothered about such crucial allegations as it is shameless.

"Who elevated Aziz and Benazir to these positions? They indulged in stealing, looting and robbery one after another. Begum Zia did not give them posting," he said.

He said that the government was aware of the misdeeds and corruption by the two former top military and police officials but did not take any action against them as they helped it cling to power.

Jatiyatabadi Desh Bachao Manush Bachao Andolan, a pro-BNP platform, arranged the rally in front of Jatiya Press Club, demanding the unconditional release of BNP Chairperson Begum Khaleda Zia and other party leaders.

He said Aziz tarnished the image of the entire armed forces of Bangladesh.



REMAI'S AFTERMATH IN 5 DISTRICTS
Around 50pc power connections remain severed

STAR REPORT

Mahbubur Rahman, a Bangladeshi expatriate in Portugal, could not reach his family members in Banna upazila of Barguna over phone even three days after Cyclone Remal lashed Bangladesh coast.

He contacted some relatives in Dhaka but they also failed to give him any update.

"I don't even know if my family members are alive or not. I am worried," Mahbubur told The Daily Star yesterday.

Banna upazila is one of the areas most affected by the cyclone. While nothing can be certain at this point, it is likely that Mahbubur's family members are passing days without electricity connections and hence could not get their cell phones charged.

Almost half of the total 1.14 lakh electricity connections in four upazilas of Patuakhali and eight upazilas of Barguna still remain severed since the cyclone, according to Rural Electrification Board in the districts.

The electricity demand in those two districts is now below 30MW, compared to the usual 65MW.

"So far around 50 percent electric lines have been restored. At least

18,600 kilometre of electric lines have been damaged. Of the 2,000 electric poles damaged, only 100 have been replaced till yesterday," said Tushar Kanti Mandal, general manager of Patuakhali REB.

Also, 168 transformers were destroyed in the cyclone, and only 20 have been commissioned so far, he added.

"Numerous trees and electric poles in the Sadar union were uprooted in the cyclone. Electric cables were seen scattered on the

roads. Officials and locals were trying to clear the roads, while vehicular movement remained halted. There was no electricity in the area," said Munni Akhter, who returned from Banna upazila after attending a relative's funeral.

"So far, 80 percent of total 67,000 customers got their connections back after at least 20 electric poles

and cables at 43 spots were damaged in the cyclone," said Faruk Hossain, executive engineer of West Zone Power Distribution Company Ltd.

In Barishal, large areas across Hijla, Muladi and Mehendiganj upazilas are with severed electricity connections.

"Around 60 percent of total 4.70 lakh connections are restored," said Humayun Kabir, GM of REB-1, Barishal.

A similar situation persists in Manpura of Bhola.

In Bhola, 40,000 of the total 4.28 lakh customers are without electricity since the cyclone.

"Electric wires were torn at 5,000 spots in Pirojpur. At least 352 electric poles and 750 cross arms were damaged. Mathbaria upazila sustained the most damage," said Khairul Islam, assistant general manager (AGM-ENC) of Pirojpur Palli Bidyut Samity.

However, the Ministry of Power, Energy and Mineral Resources yesterday claimed that 2.86 crore (around 93 percent) out of the total 3.07 crore subscribers under REB and WZPDCL got their connections restored by 6:00pm yesterday.

The ministry hoped for 95 percent of the connections to be restored by yesterday night.



PRAYER TIMING
MAY 30

Fazr	Zohr	Asr	Maghrib	Esha
AZAN 4-05	12-45	5-00	6-43	8-05
JAMAAT 4-40	1-15	5-15	6-47	8-35

SOURCE: ISLAMIC FOUNDATION

জাতীয় কম্পিউটার প্রশিক্ষণ ও গবেষণা একাডেমী
কারিগরি ও মাদ্রাসা শিক্ষা বিভাগ
শিক্ষা মন্ত্রণালয়
বগুড়া, বাংলাদেশ।
www.nactar.gov.bd

স্মারক নং- ৫৭.২১.০০০০.০০২.০২.০০২.২৩-৭৩১ তারিখ: ১৫ জ্যৈষ্ঠ, ১৪৩১ বঙ্গাব্দ
২৯ মে, ২০২৪ খ্রিষ্টাব্দ

নিলাম দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি

০১। মন্ত্রণালয় : কারিগরি ও মাদ্রাসা শিক্ষা বিভাগ, শিক্ষা মন্ত্রণালয়।
০২। সংস্থ : জাতীয় কম্পিউটার প্রশিক্ষণ ও গবেষণা একাডেমী (নেকটার), বগুড়া।
০৩। সংগ্রাহক সন্থাধিকারীর নাম : পরিচালক (উপসচিব), নেকটার, বগুড়া।
০৪। সন্থাধিকারীর কোড নং : ৩-১৬০০১০১-১৩০০৪৯০০।
০৫। সংগ্রাহক সংস্থার জেলা : বগুড়া।
০৬। নিলাম দরপত্র : একাডেমীর পুরাতন ক্যাফেটারিয়া ও কনফারেন্স হল এবং দক্ষিণ পাশের বাউন্ডারী ওয়াল ভাঙা ও অপসারণ কাজের নিলাম।

০৭। নিলাম দরপত্র আহ্বানের সূত্র : ৫৭.২১.০০০০.০০২.০২.০০২.২৩-৭৩১, তারিখ: ২৯/০৫/২০২৪
০৮। সংগ্রহের পদ্ধতি : উন্মুক্ত দরপত্র।
০৯। বাজেট ও অর্ধের উৎস : প্রযোজ্য নয়।
১০। দরপত্র প্যাকেজ নম্বর ও অর্থ বছর : ০১, নিলাম টেন্ডার ২০২৩-২০২৪ অর্থ বছর।
১১। নিলাম দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তির তারিখ : ৩০/০৫/২০২৪ খ্রি.
১২। নিলাম দরপত্র বিক্রয়ের শেষ তারিখ ও সময় : ১২/০৬/২০২৪ খ্রি. সময়: ১.০০ ঘটিকা পর্যন্ত।
১৩। নিলাম দরপত্র দাখিলের তারিখ ও সময় : ১৩/০৬/২০২৪ খ্রি. সময়: ১২.০০ ঘটিকা পর্যন্ত।
১৪। নিলাম দরপত্র বাতিলের তারিখ ও সময় : ১৩/০৬/২০২৪ খ্রি. সময়: ১.০০ ঘটিকা।
১৫। দরপত্র দাখিল বিক্রয়ের অফিসের নাম ও ঠিকানা : (ক) জাতীয় কম্পিউটার প্রশিক্ষণ ও গবেষণা একাডেমী (নেকটার), বগুড়া।
১৬। দরপত্র দাখিল প্রহরের স্থান : জাতীয় কম্পিউটার প্রশিক্ষণ ও গবেষণা একাডেমী (নেকটার), বগুড়া।
১৭। দরপত্র দাতার যোগাযোগ : (ক) হাল নাগাদ ট্রেড লাইসেন্স এর সত্যায়িত অনুলিপি।
(খ) হাল নাগাদ আয়কর সনদ এর সত্যায়িত অনুলিপি।
(গ) ভ্যাট রেজিস্ট্রেশন এর সত্যায়িত অনুলিপি।
(ঘ) দরপত্রে উল্লিখিত বিবরণ অনুযায়ী।
১৮। সম্পর্ক যুক্ত সেবা সমূহের বর্ণনা : ১০০০/- (একহাজার) টাকা (অফেরত যোগ্য)
১৯। নিলাম দরপত্র দাখিলের মূল্য : এ.কে.এম. সরোয়ার জাহান
২০। দরপত্র আহ্বানকারীর নাম : পরিচালক (উপসচিব), নেকটার, বগুড়া।
২১। দরপত্র আহ্বানকারীর পদবী : টেলিফোন নং- ০২৫৮৮১০৪৫১ অথবা নেকটার ওয়েব সাইটে দেখা যেতে পারে। web: www.nactar.gov.bd
২২। বিজ্ঞপ্তি তথ্যের জন্য যোগাযোগ : (মোঃ আবু মুহাম্মদ)
পরিচালক (বুটিন দায়িত্ব)
জাতীয় কম্পিউটার প্রশিক্ষণ ও গবেষণা একাডেমী (নেকটার), বগুড়া।



A trader dries rice at a market in Barishal after rain and tidal water influenced by Cyclone Remal damaged at least 200 tonnes of rice in the Fariapatti area of Barishal city. PHOTO: TITU DAS

Remal damages 200 tonnes of rice in Barishal

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Barishal

Rain and tidal water influenced by Cyclone Remal have damaged at least 200 tonnes of rice of various varieties at a wholesale market in the Fariapatti area of Barishal city.

During a visit to the market yesterday, this correspondent observed traders trying to dry the soaked rice in open spaces, including roadsides.

Each rice wholesaler in the market had one to 10 tonnes of rice damaged in the rains and tidal water during the cyclone, said Swapan Kumar Dutta, owner of Barishal Khadya Bhandar.

Traders said they will try to dry the wet rice and sell it to poultry feed factories to mitigate their losses.

"Usually, rain or tidal water does not rise enough to enter the wholesale market. This time, however, it was different," they added.

Farooq Alam, secretary of the Rice Traders Association in Barishal, said many traders who have taken loans from banks will face significant financial strain due to this loss.

Saidur Rahman Rintu, president of the Barishal Chamber of Commerce and Industries, urged the government to provide traders with low-interest loans to compensate for the damage.

Many traders who have taken loans from banks will face significant financial strain due to this loss.

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh
Urban Development Directorate
82, Segunbagicha, Dhaka
www.udd.gov.bd

Memo No. 25.45.0000.002.14.025.23.155 Date: 29/05/2024

Request for Expressions of Interest (EOI) for Survey (Socio-Economic and Other Related Survey and Transportation Survey for Roadways and Waterway) under different Packages for "Preparation of Development Plan for 3 Upazilas (Pirojpur Sadar, Nesarabad and Nazirpur Upazila) of Pirojpur District" Project

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh					
1.	Ministry/Division	Ministry of Housing and Public Works (MoHPW)			
2.	Agency	Urban Development Directorate (UDD)			
3.	Name of procuring entity	Project Director (PD), Preparation of Development Plan for 3 Upazilas (Pirojpur Sadar, Nesarabad and Nazirpur Upazila) of Pirojpur District, Urban Development Directorate (UDD).			
4.	Procuring entity code	1320401			
5.	Procuring entity district	Dhaka			
6.	Expression of Interest for Selection of	Selection of Consulting Firm (Survey Work)	Lump Sum Based		
7.	EOI Ref. No.	No. 25.45.0000.002.14.025.23.155			
8.	Date	29/05/2024			
KEY INFORMATION					
9.	Procurement sub-method	Selection under a Fixed Budget (FBS)			
FUNDING INFORMATION					
10.	Budget and source of funds	Development Budget	GoB		
11.	Development partner (if applicable)	N/A			
PARTICULAR INFORMATION					
12.	Project/programme code	222016500			
13.	Project/programme name	Preparation of Development Plan for 3 Upazilas (Pirojpur Sadar, Nesarabad and Nazirpur Upazila) of Pirojpur District			
14.	EOI closing date and time	25/06/2024 at 12:00pm (SD-8) 25/06/2024 at 02:00pm (SD-9)			
INFORMATION FOR APPLICANT					
15.	Brief description of the assignment	UDD is undertaking a project entitled "Preparation Development Plan for 3 Upazilas (Pirojpur Sadar, Nesarabad and Nazirpur Upazila) of Pirojpur District" Project with an area of approximately 147232.80 acre or 595.83 sq.km. UDD has decided to engage Bangladeshi Survey Firm (as mentioned in clause 20) for the project.			
Experience, resources and delivery capacity required					
Package No.	Experience	Resources		Key Professionals	
		Hardware/Software	Other Resources		
16.	SD-8	At least 5 years work experience in related field	Computer, Updated Survey Equipment (House hold survey Equipment like Tablet PC etc.), online communication device (tablet) compatible format (apps), Socio-economic Survey Software, and Updated Data processing software, Arc GIS compatible Workstation, & Arc GIS Licensed Software etc.	Office Space, Financial and Managerial Strength, Vehicle and other logistics etc.	Socio Economic Survey Expert, Data Management Expert, GIS Expert.
	SD-9	At least 5 years work experience in related field	Computer, Updated Transport related Survey Equipment for (O-D Survey, Vehicle count survey, vehicle speed survey etc.), Updated Transport data processing Related Software, Arc GIS compatible Workstation, & Arc GIS Licensed Software etc.	Office Space, Financial and Managerial Strength, Vehicle and other logistics etc.	Transport Planning Expert, Transport Survey Expert, Transport Survey Supervisor
17.	Other detail	Interested Consulting Firms are hereby invited to submit EOI containing printed brochures (showing organizational identity and background), Legal Documents, Bank Solvency showing financial and Managerial standing (according to PPA 2006 and PPR 2008), Legal Trade License, VAT Registration Certificate, Valid TIN Certificate & Tax return Slip/Certificate of Last Fiscal year Memorandum of Article (if applicable), Nationality Certificate of Authorized person, NID card of authorized person, staffing with CV with education and experience Certificate, inventory of resources and logistics confirming the firm's capabilities to provide the required services. All documents should be attested by a first Class Gazetted Officer. Consulting firm will submit one (1) original and one (1) true copy of the EOI separately in sealed envelopes marked with the "Title" and "Specific Name of Services" with an electronic copy.			
18.	Association with foreign firms is	Not encouraged			
19.	Survey firms/association (JVCA) firms	As per PPA 2006 and PPR 2008.			
Package No.	Phasing of Services	Short Description of Services	Location	Indicative Start Date (Month/Year)	Indicative Complete on Date (Month/Year)
SD-8	N/A	Survey (Socio economic and other related Surveys): Questionnaire Survey will be undertaken by using online survey and communication device (tablet) with GIS compatible format (apps). Data need to be interfaced with main GIS database prepared by physical feature consulting firm for preparation of planning package	Pirojpur Sadar Upazila, Nesarabad Upazila and Nazirpur Upazila	September 2024	May, 2025
SD-9	N/A	Survey (Transportation Surveys for Roadways and Waterways): All traffic and transportation related survey data including vehicle registration, traffic volume, O-D survey, critical traffic junction, trip generation, travel behavior, goods movement and mode of shipment etc. collected from field, process collected Transport database processing software which is GIS Compatible, collected data and information (both spatial and attribute) shall be interlinked with that of different other surveys (including physical feature, topographic, land use etc.) conducted by different other survey firms. The survey firm shall also identify the location/ household/ feature surveyed on base map and also locate in spatial database.	Pirojpur Sadar Upazila, Nesarabad Upazila and Nazirpur Upazila	September 2024	October, 2025
PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS					
21.	Name of the official inviting EOI	Uday Sankar Das			
22.	Designation of the official inviting EOI	Project Director, "Preparation of Development Plan for 3 Upazilas (Pirojpur Sadar, Nesarabad and Nazirpur Upazila) of Pirojpur District"			
23.	Address of the official inviting EOI	Room No-604, 5th Floor, Urban Development Directorate, 82, Segunbagicha, Dhaka-1000.			
24.	Contact details of the official inviting EOI	Phone No. +88-02-223351272;			
25.	The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject all EOIs without assigning any reason.				

Uday Sankar Das
Project Director
"Preparation of Development Plan for 3 Upazilas (Pirojpur Sadar, Nesarabad and Nazirpur Upazila) of Pirojpur District"
Urban Development Directorate